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SUBJECT: FEDERAL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE REGULATIONS REGARDING "FLASH POINT"

EMILE BAROODY, PROMINENT LOCAL BUSINESSMAN AND ARAK EXPORTER, HAS REQUESTED EMBASSY ASSISTANCE TO CLARIFY REPORTED U.S. REQUIREMENT THAT

BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 1975, "FLASH POINT" OF ALL ALCOHOLIC SPIRITS ARE REQUIRED BE INDICATED ON OUTSIDE MARKINGS EACH CARTON. BAROODY'S AGENTS IN U.S., AUSTIN NICHOLS AND CO., NEW YORK, ADVISE THAT "A STANDARD OF 73 DEGREES CENTIGRADE HAS BEEN DECLARED PERMISSABLE FOR PURPOSES OF UNIFORMITY." BAROODY HAS SOUGHT ASSISTANCE OF LEBANESE INDUSTRIAL INSTITUTE TO DETERMINE HOW FIND FLASH POINT BUT WAS UNSUCCESSFUL. PLEASE ADVISE REQUIREMENTS FEDERAL REGULATIONS AND HOW "FLASH POINT" DETERMINED. BAROODY NOW HOLDING 1000 CASES ARAK FOR SHIPMENT TO U.S. THUS, WISHES CONFIRMATION URGENTLY THAT GOODS SHIPPED PRIOR TO JANUARY NOT SUBJECT NEW REPORTED REGULATION.  
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